

Harold Lloyd Estate (Greenacres)
1225 Benedict Canyon Drive
Beverly Hills
Los Angeles County
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE California	COUNTY Los Angeles	TOWN OR VICINITY Beverly Hills
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Harold Lloyd Estate		HABS NO. CA-2192
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Greenacres		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 1225 Benedict Canyon Drive		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1926-29	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Sumner Spaulding	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Built for silent film comedian Harold Lloyd. Although architecturally restrained with stucco walls and red tile roof, the house contains the grand rooms and recreational amenities which are associated with the life of a film star.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Mediterranean		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Essentially T-shaped, built around an open court; 32,000 sq. ft. of living space		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Beside the Olympic-sized swimming pool, there is a pavilion which was used for outdoor entertaining, a large motion picture screening room, and a handball court which can accommodate 150 spectators. The service area includes garages for 15 cars, a parking court, kennels, and additional staff accommodations.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Public rooms on the first floor include an entrance hall; library; living room with projection booth, theater organ and Steinway player piano; dining and breakfast rooms; and garden room. Upstairs are nine bedrooms and four servants' bedrooms.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The grounds were landscaped by A.E. Hansen and include ten separate gardens, fourteen fountains including a 60' cascade, a duck pond, canoe stream, tennis court, and children's play yard with small scale house and pony stable.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
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